

THE DAILY COMMONWEALTH.

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KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

IN SENATE.

SATURDAY, Feb. 27, 1847.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. WATERMAN.
Mr. MARSHALL introduced a bill to change the terms of the Oldham and Henry Circuit Courts; passed.
The SPEAKER remarked, that he would be compelled to leave Frankfort on to-morrow, and suggested the propriety of electing a Speaker for the remainder of the session.
Mr. WALL nominated Mr. ROBERT S. TODD, who was unanimously elected.
Mr. DRAFFIN reported a bill, divorcing Ann Elliott from her husband, John Elliott, and confirming the marriage of said Ann, with John Wright.
The Assistant Secretary of the H. R. reported sundry bills, which had passed that house.
Mr. WILLIAMS moved to take up all the bills from the H. R. just reported, which are returned with amendments.
An act to reduce into one, the several acts concerning the town of Georgetown; passed.
An act for the benefit of Robert Triplett; passed.
An act establishing the town of Monterey, in Owen county; passed.
An act to add an additional term to the Mason and Fleming Circuit Courts—reported from H. R. with an amendment, which was concurred in.
An act to incorporate the Lexington and Licking Valley Railroad Company; reported with amendments, which were concurred in.
An act to amend an act, incorporating certain Turnpike road companies; approved, Jan. 29, 1829.
Mr. BOYD hoped the bill would pass. The House of Representatives has passed it by an overwhelming vote. It was fully discussed in the other end of the Capitol, by those familiar with the grievances sought to be remedied.
Mr. WALL was a member of the committee to whom this bill was referred. He did not deem the passage of the bill proper, he believed its passage could be of no benefit at all to those who claimed to be interested, for it seemed to him, that the bill if passed, being in contravention of the charter, would be perfectly nugatory.
Mr. KEY was very desirous to do every thing in his power to accommodate the citizens along the Maysville road, but he concurred with the Senator from Harrison, (Mr. Wall), that the passage of this bill will not effect the object desired.
Mr. BOYD rejoined. He did not concur with the honorable Senators, as to the effect of this bill. He regarded the bill now under consideration, as a mere declaration of the opinion of the Senate, upon the proper construction of the original charter. The bill passed.
An act for the benefit of John V. Cowling and Jesse A. Moorman; passed.
A number of House bills were taken up and acted upon. (It is unnecessary to repeat them here, as they will appear in the Synopsis in a few days.)
Mr. DRAFFIN moved a reconsideration of a bill for the benefit of Robert Williams—yeas 18, nays 9; reconsidered.
Mr. PEYTON opposed the passage of the bill, because there had once been a full settlement of the matters of account between the State and this gentleman. The effect of the passage of this bill, will be to open again, all demands of contractors which have been settled heretofore. Is there to be no end to these claims? If we are to consider, settle and then again reconsider, these claims against the Commonwealth, the time will never come when we will be able to determine how we stand as a State; or what is the extent of our indebtedness. The passage of this bill opens the door to numerous frauds upon the Commonwealth. But this case has been once settled, there is no allegation of mistake. I am therefore opposed to it.
Mr. SWOPE remarked that the State had paid Mr. Williams for what work he had done, but there never had been a settlement of the damages which those gentlemen sustained by a suspension of the works.
Mr. BRISTOW said, as a member of the committee he had called upon Gov. Metcalfe, who stated that there had been no settlement of the claim set up for damages, and for which this bill provides. He desired to do justice to every creditor of the State, and should therefore vote for the bill.
Mr. CRENSHAW read from the report of the Board of Internal Improvement, in reference to the settlement of claims of the contractors upon Licking river.
Mr. SWOPE explained that the item now claimed, was not settled by the Board, in the general settlement referred to in the document of the Senator from Barren.
An act to authorize the Board of managers of the Versailles road, to establish a turnpike gate within a quarter of a mile of the town of Frankfort.
Mr. RUSSELL asked a call of the Senate.
The bill was rejected, yeas 13, nays 17.
Mr. JAMES reported a bill from H. R. for the benefit of James Coyle, with the opinion that it ought not to pass.
The Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.
Mr. JAMES reported a bill from H. R. for the benefit of the Militia of the county of Floyd, called out under General Hager, with an amendment.
Mr. HARRIS explained the circumstances connected with the affair which rendered the call upon the militia necessary.
Mr. RICE having been present at the court in Floyd, when the facts connected with the affair were fully developed on the trial of some of the parties, concurred fully with the Senator from Floyd, in the propriety of passing the bill.
The bill was passed.
The consideration of the act for the benefit of Robert Williams, resumed.
A statement from Gov. Metcalfe was read, in relation to the character of the settlement made with the Licking Contractors.
Mr. BUTLER thought it very evident from the report, that all the questions connected with these claims which were proper to be considered, had been settled finally, and hence he thought it was unnecessary to send this question again to Commissioners.
Mr. SWOPE read a statement from Gov. Metcalfe, viz:
T. Metcalfe submits the following remark: It is not possible for me now to examine this statement, (statement of Mr. Williams), but supposing it possible that a minute and thorough investigation might satisfy the mind, that in equity and good conscience, something ought to be done by the sovereign power, to relieve at least some of the Licking Contractors from the losses they appear to have sustained, I, with due deference suggest whether it may not be well to appropriate a given sum for their relief, to be divided amongst them, as the Commission appointed for that purpose, may deem equitable. Some of their cases are harder upon them than others, as I have no doubt.
The bill passed—yeas 17, nays 16.
Mr. BRADLEY reported sundry enrolled bills, which were signed by the Speaker of the Senate.
The Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The SPEAKER on taking the chair, remarked, that it gave him great pleasure to announce to the Senate, that the unfortunate difficulty which arose in the course of a heated debate a few days since, between the honorable Senators from Breckinridge and Hardin, (Messrs. PEYTON and HELM,) had been, through the intervention of friends, honorably and amicably adjusted. The SPEAKER remarked, that it gave him infinite satisfaction, to make this announcement to the Senate. The gentlemen having long been friends, it would have been painful to me, said the Speaker, to have left the Capitol with the reflection that two honorable Senators who had met as friends had parted otherwise.
Mr. WALKER asked leave to report a bill for the benefit of Geo. W. Ewing.
Mr. PEYTON, from the Judiciary committee, asked leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the business before them.
Mr. WALKER asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Thomas J. Miller; discharged.
The same committee was discharged from further consideration of all matters before them.
A communication from the Governor, nominating William W. Alexander, to be attorney for the Commonwealth in the 13th Judicial District; Virgil McKnight and U. E. Ewing, to be Directors on the part of the State, in the Bank of Kentucky; Madison C. Johnson and Henry Duncan, to be Directors on the part of the State in the Northern Bank of Kentucky; William H. Bemis to be Police Judge of Blandville, Ballard county, Kentucky.
The rules were dispensed with; the nominations taken up, and it was
Resolved, That the Senate do advise and consent to said nominations.
Mr. BUTLER introduced a bill for the benefit of Sylvester Thomas; passed.
Mr. RUSSELL asked leave to bring in a bill for the divorce of Mary B. Alfriend; bill reported and passed.
Senate took a recess until 7 o'clock.
Night Session.
Mr. WALL moved to reconsider the vote by which the committee were discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Thomas J. Miller. The vote was reconsidered.
Mr. WALL remarked that he desired the question presented by this petition, to be presented fairly to the Senate. The grounds of the request to be discharged, he understood from the Chairman, to be, the fact that it did not appear that any notice had been served on Mr. Whitehead, the gentleman through whose land, the proposed road would pass. Mr. W. said, he was not authorized to say any such notice had been given; indeed he supposed, from the fact that he had not heard any thing of it, having been the Lawyer of Mr. Whitehead upon the trial of this question before the Courts, that no notice had been in fact given. He would say, however, to the Senate, in justice to Mr. Miller, that he had no doubt the statements in the petition were strictly true. The position occupied by me, said Mr. W. is one of some delicacy, and having laid the facts so far as they are within my knowledge, before the Senate, I submit it to their decision.
The petition was on motion, laid on the table. And the Senate adjourned.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. CHADBURN.
Mr. BUSH presented a petition; referred.
Mr. A. G. BOTTS, from the committee on Religion, reported a bill for the benefit of John and Harrison Dobbs; passed.
On motion of Mr. BUSH, a Senate bill for the benefit of Napoleon Burks and wife, was taken up and passed.
Mr. MITCHELL, from the committee of Conference, appointed yesterday, on a bill to change an election precinct in Pulaski county, reported in favor of the amendments of the House.
Mr. PAGE, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill for the benefit of John Morgan, Sheriff of Perry county; passed.
On motion of Mr. W. S. BOTTS, a Senate bill for the benefit of the lunatic children of Elijah Looman of Fleming county; passed.
Mr. WALLER reported a bill for the benefit of the children of Samuel T. Garrison; passed.
Mr. FOLEY reported a bill for the benefit of Isham Jones, of Whitley county; ordered to a second reading.
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wortham for the remainder of the session.
Mr. WILLIAMS moved to suspend the order of business for the purpose of taking up a bill reported from the Senate, to amend the revenue laws. The yeas and nays being called, the vote stood; yeas 39, nays 41. So the House refused to suspend.
Reports from Standing Committees.
Mr. McHENRY from the committee on the Judiciary reported a Senate bill to incorporate the Kentucky State Colonization Society; passed.
Also—a Senate bill for the benefit of James Pike of Graves county; passed.
Also—a Senate bill in relation to selling spirituous liquors to slaves.
Mr. W. S. BOTTS moved to lay the bill on the table. The vote stood; yeas 42, nays 38.
So the bill was laid on the table.
A message was received from the Senate, announcing the passage of sundry bills, amendments, &c.
Mr. MUNFORD from the committee on Enrollments reported the enrollment of sundry bills, which thereupon received the signature of the Speaker.
The House took up a Senate bill to incorporate companies to construct locks and dams No. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, on the Kentucky river.
Mr. WILLIAMS moved an amendment, requiring the companies to pay the same bonus to the State, as is required from the Licking and Lexington Railroad company; rejected, yeas 24, nays 65.
The bill then passed. The vote stood as follows:
YEAS.—Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Abell, Alexander, Alnut, Armstrong, Beeler, Board, A. G. Botts, W. S. Botts, Bowman, Bowmar, Boyd, Bradford, Bush, Clarke, Crawford, Covington, Desha, Devereux, Dickerson, Durbin, J. Elliott, M. Elliott, Evans, Fletcher, Foley, Gilbert, Glenn, Graves, Hager, Hanson, Harrison, Hay, Hobbs, Hord, Hoy, Ireland, D. Irvine, J. Irvine, J. R. Jones, Mansfield, Marshall, Mayhall, McArthur, McCallister, McHenry, Meriwether, Mitchell, Munford, Oglesby, Page, Phillips, Poor, Procter, Pundom, Reed, Rhea, Riddle, Rouse, Salter, Smith, Soery, Spaulding, Spurr, Steele, Stevenson, Stewart, Talbott, Tandy, Thomas, Thompson, Towles, Wade, Walker, Waller, Wheeler, Williams, Wright and Young—79.
NAYS.—Messrs. Bell, Coleman, English, Haggard, Moton, Owens, Pearl, Vertress and White—9.
Mr. W. S. BOTTS, from Select committee, reported a bill for the benefit of the Kentucky Lunatic Asylum, at Lexington.
Mr. WALLER moved to amend the bill, by striking out the first section, providing for an increase in the directory.
Mr. BOTTS remarked, that the committee who were appointed by the House of Representatives to visit the Lunatic Asylum, had recommended this increase in the number of the Board of Directors.
They did it in order to relieve in some degree, the responsibility which rests upon the members of the directory. He believed it important to the interests

of the institution that this increase should be made. In recommending this, he did not intend any disrespect to the present members of the Board.
Mr. WALLER stated that the Institution had been reorganized several years since, from which time it had been prosperous and useful, and no dissatisfaction existed, except among a few members of the old Board. If this is the case, is it not answer enough to all objections to the present Directory? The present organization of the Institution is the same as that of all similar institutions in the United States. The number of Directors is the same. It appeared that a change at this time, when the Institution is in successful operation, would not be wise or judicious.
Messrs. Brown, Haggard and Alexander further remarked upon the amendment proposed, and incidentally upon the general management of the Institution, and upon the position of the Board of Directors.
The amendment of Mr. Waller was then adopted; yeas 52, nays 38.
The bill under consideration appropriates \$10,000 to complete a building already commenced, for the use of the Asylum.
Mr. W. S. BOTTS explained the position of the edifice, the construction of which is commenced, and the sum necessary to complete it. The building is 110 feet long, 66 feet wide; is four stories high, with a basement story. In addition, it is necessary to construct a reservoir, to guard against fire. He did not believe the appropriation was too large for the needs of the Institution.
Mr. HAGGARD did not believe so large an appropriation was necessary. He was for granting an appropriation sufficient to complete the building, but thought a less sum sufficient. After explaining further respecting former appropriations, he moved to recommit the bill to a select committee, with instructions to report at 3 o'clock, P. M., with the appropriation of \$10,000 stricken out.
Mr. BROWN opposed the motion, when the vote was taken, and the motion prevailed.
A bill for the benefit of Isham Jones, of Whitley county, was taken up and passed.
Appropriation Bill.
Mr. BROWN, from committee on claims, reported the General Appropriation bill. On motion of Mr. MERIWETHER, the House went into committee of the whole, Mr. WILLIAMS in the chair, on the above bill.
Mr. GRAVES moved to strike out the appropriation of \$400 to the Treasurer for a clerk.
After some discussion, a motion was made that the committee rise and report the bill to the House.
The chairman decided it out of order to move that the committee rise, pending an amendment.
Mr. BROWN appealed from the decision of the chair.
Mr. WILLIAMS stated that his decision was not founded on any particular rule, but upon the purpose of going into committee, to allow free discussions and ample opportunity for offering amendments. Therefore, the previous question did not apply in committee of the whole, and a motion for the committee to rise, pending an amendment, would have a similar effect.
After remarks upon the question of order, by Messrs. MERIWETHER, BROWN, McHENRY and ARMSTRONG.
The SPEAKER, remarked that in Congress, it was not in order to move any amendment in the House, not moved in the committee. But the practice of this House had been different. It was customary to entertain a motion for the committee to rise at any time.
The chairman conformed to the opinion of the Speaker, and entertained the motion.
The committee then rose and reported the bill to the House.
The following amendments were made to the bill as reported.
Mr. PROCTER moved to strike out \$45, to the Doorkeepers for making fires, and insert \$55; lost.
Mr. BROWN moved to strike out \$100 to A. B. F. Livingston, deputy Sergeant at Arms, and insert \$76 00; carried.
Mr. BUSH moved to strike out \$105 to Rice Maxey, and insert \$83; carried.
The hour of half past one having arrived, the House took a recess.
Evening Session.
The House resumed the consideration of the appropriation bill.
Mr. HAGGARD moved to strike out the additional \$100 to the clerk in the Second Auditor's office, for past services; carried, yeas 42, nays 32, salary in future, \$500 per annum.
Mr. GRAVES moved to strike out the salary of \$400 for a clerk in the treasurer's office; lost.
Yeas 39, nays 46.
Mr. BUSH moved to strike out the \$420 for the benefit of the ministers of the gospel for attendance during the session; lost.
Mr. WRIGHT moved to strike out the \$15 and insert \$10 to the members of the committee appointed to visit the Lunatic Asylum; lost.
Mr. HAGGARD moved to strike the \$7,500 to the Lunatic Asylum, for the completion of the buildings in process of construction, and insert \$5,000.
After some discussion, the previous question was ordered, and the motion was sustained, yeas 53, nays 36.
The bill as amended passed.
Senate Bills.
A bill for the benefit of George W. Ewing and Alexander McGregor; passed.
A bill to incorporate the Warsaw and Williams-town Turnpike Company; passed.
A bill to incorporate the Dry Run and Covington Turnpike Company; passed.
A bill to incorporate the Boone Turnpike Company; passed.
A bill authorizing the Frankfort Cemetery Company to convey a portion of its grounds to the State; passed.
A bill authorizing the issue of State bonds for certain purposes.
After some discussion
Mr. WRIGHT moved to lay the bill on the table; lost.
Mr. GLENN moved to strike out the first section; lost—yeas 32, nays 41.
The bill then passed.
A bill to amend an act, to reduce into one, the law in relation to estrays; passed.
A bill to amend the dueling law; ordered to be read a second time.
A bill to authorize the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to make a certain report to the Second Auditor; passed.
A bill for the benefit of A. G. Kyle, of Mercer county; passed.
A bill for the benefit of John B. Meredith, of Woodford county; passed.
A bill for the benefit of William H. Taylor, of Mercer county; passed.
A bill for the benefit of the widow and heirs of William Perry, deceased; passed.
A bill for the benefit of the towns of Burlington and Hamilton; passed.
A bill to incorporate the Lexington Gas Company; passed.
A bill for the benefit of certain Justices of the Peace, allowing them copies of Loughborough's Digest; ordered to a second reading.
A bill for the benefit of Matilda A. Simmons,

widow and devisee of William W. Simmons, deceased; passed.
A bill for the benefit of the heirs at law, of Nelly White, deceased; passed.
A bill to explain the law relating to bills of exception; passed.
A bill for the benefit of Jonathan Hathaway and Benjamin S. Hoffman; passed.
A bill to add an additional term to the Bracken Circuit Court; passed.
A bill to promote the growth and manufacture of silk.
Mr. WILLIAMS moved to lay the bill on the table; carried.
A bill concerning the writ of mandamus; ordered to be read a second time.
A bill to produce uniformity in tolls on the Turnpikes in this Commonwealth; passed.
A bill declaring the "Richmond Whig" and "Convention" public authorized newspapers of this Commonwealth; passed.
A bill to amend an act authorizing sheriffs to make certain conveyances; passed.
A bill for the benefit of the Sheriff of Scott county; passed.
A bill for the benefit of John Duncan and Gabriel Patrick; passed.
A bill to provide an office for the Adjutant and Quarter Master General; ordered to a second reading.
A bill to change the terms of the Oldham and Henry Circuit courts.
Mr. STEVENSON urged the passage of the bill as a convenience to Judges Prior.
Mr. PAGE opposed it. It would be a hardship to the Judge of the Louisville Circuit.
The bill was ordered to a second reading.
Mr. WADE moved to reconsider the vote just taken, refusing to dispense with the second reading of the bill; carried.
The House again refused to dispense with the second reading.
A bill to divorce Ann Elliott from her husband John Elliott, and to confirm her subsequent marriage with John Wright, and legitimise her children; passed.
A bill for the benefit of Sylvester Thomas; passed.
A bill for the benefit of Marry B. Alfriend; passed.
A bill to divorce Tamsey Chadwell; rejected—yeas 26, nays 54.
A preamble and resolutions in relation to the unfinished turnpikes in this State; concurred in.
Resolutions in relation to the tolls of the Green and Barren and Kentucky River Navigation.
After remarks from Messrs. McHENRY and SALTER.
Mr. MERIWETHER moved to strike out the first resolution, prohibiting the tolls to be raised during the coming year.
On motion of Mr. EVANS, the resolutions were laid on the table.
A resolution fixing on the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M. on Monday, for the final adjournment of the General Assembly; laid on the table.
On motion of Mr. CLARKE, the chairman of the Judiciary committee, reported a bill to repeal an act to extend the limits of the town of Hopkinsville.
After explanations by Messrs. CLARKE, McHENRY and HARRISON, the previous question was ordered, and the bill was rejected.
Also—a Senate bill to extend the terms of the Fayette Circuit Court, and for other purposes; passed.
The chairman of the committee on Education, reported a bill authorizing a settlement with the trustees of the Stanford Seminary; passed.
Mr. STEVENSON from the committee on Internal Improvement reported a bill concerning the Lexington and Ohio Railroad; authorizes the Board of Internal Improvement to compromise with, or sue the Lessees of the Railroad, if in their opinion they have violated their contract; passed.
The hour of 7 having arrived, the House took a recess for an hour.
Night Session, 8 o'clock.
Senate Amendments.
An act to change the place of voting in certain election precincts, with amendments; concurred in.
An act for the benefit of the Jessamine Cavalry, amendments concurred in.
An act to repeal in part an act to appoint patrols in this Commonwealth, with amendments; concurred in.
An act directing the agent of the State directed by the second Auditor, to sell lands for the non payment of tax, with an amendment; concurred in.
An act making an appropriation to the Militia of Floyd county, called out by the Court under General Hager, with an amendment; concurred in.
An act for the appropriation of money; with amendments.
Mr. CROCKETT called for a division of the question.
The amendments were concurred in except an amendment appropriating \$10,000 to the Lunatic Asylum.
Upon this amendment,
Mr. WALLER remarked upon the necessity of appropriating this amount in order to enable the officers of the asylum to complete the buildings already commenced, and authorized by a former Legislature. This appropriation had been recommended by the officers of the Institution and by the committee of this House, with the exception of one member. It was contemplated to build a reservoir to guard against fires, and to supply water for the health and cleanliness of the inmates. For these reasons he urged a concurrence in this amendment of the Senate.
Mr. HAGGARD replied that it did not require so large an appropriation to complete the works sufficiently for the comfort of the inmates. An appropriation of \$5,000 might not complete the works according to the original plan, but it would finish it in a plain manner. He did not believe the reservoir projected in the plan of the officers of the asylum, was necessary or that it would serve the purposes for which it was intended. The \$5,000 asked for, was for the building of this reservoir. He would never give his vote for this additional appropriation.
Messrs. HOBBS and VERTRESS further advocated the amendment of the Senate, making the appropriation of \$10,000 instead of \$5,000, as fixed by the House.
Mr. WILLIAMS moved the previous question, which was ordered.
The amendment was concurred in, yeas 42, nays 40.
A message was received from the Senate, announcing the passage of sundry bills, amendments, &c.
Mr. SALTER offered a resolution that 100 copies of a synopsis of acts of the General Assembly of the present session, be furnished for each member of the House of Representatives; adopted.
On motion, it was resolved that no new matter introduced after to-day, will be acted upon during the present session.
The Judiciary committee were discharged from the further consideration of sundry petitions, leaves, &c.
Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Soery, Crockett, Beeler, Brown, Desha, McCallister Bowman and McHenry, for the remainder of the session.

On motion of Mr. McHENRY the standing committees were discharged from all matters referred to them.
On motion it was resolved that when the House adjourns this day, it adjourns to meet at 7 o'clock on Monday morning.
Mr. ALNUT obtained the floor, and requested that a bill from the Senate might be taken up for the benefit of William Rowlett of Owen county. The bill was taken up and passed.
Also—a bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Greensburg; passed.
Mr. TOWLES moved to take up from the orders of the day, a bill to establish Taylor county; lost.
On motion, Mr. ABELL withdrew the papers in relation to Taylor county.
The hour of ten having arrived, the House adjourned.
We find the following response of ROBERT N. WICKLIFFE Esq., to a call upon him to become a candidate for Congress, in the Kentucky Gazette of Saturday:
Mr. Editor:—I avail myself of the earliest occasion to state, in reply to the very flattering call made upon me in your last paper, to become a candidate for Congress, that the invitation was as unexpected as the position it would assign me is undesired. Having been devoted, for some time, entirely to the duties of my profession, I had not intended to relinquish the station of a private citizen until the present Legislature passed the act to take the sense of the people, as to the propriety of calling a Convention to modify and alter the existing Constitution. Since then, and, I may say, before, I have thought that it was the only occasion upon which I would embark in any more active scenes of political strife, than what pertains to every citizen of a free Republic. I am fully sensible how many private and personal reasons and motives should deter me from the course I pursue, but I have lived long enough to know that the only safe course for any public man to take is, that which his reason sanctions and his judgment ratifies.
I rejoice that it is part and parcel of our great inheritance, that we have a right to adjust these objects by the peaceful operation of the ballot box; and that we are not forced, as men are in other lands, to wade through the stormy scenes of revolution and of blood. To those who think as I do upon this great and commanding question—the fundamental law under which we have lived and are hereafter to live—and which is so paramount to all mere party designations—I will say, that when the time comes, that the people begin to look about for some person to embody their views in the Legislature, if they can do no better, they shall, at least, not be without a candidate.
ROBERT N. WICKLIFFE.
Fresh Oysters.
88 CANS fresh COYSTER, just received and for sale on consignment by
PIERSON & MERIWETHER.
January 4, 1847.
Fine Pen and Pocket Knives.
A LARGE supply of Rogers' and Wostenholme's finest Pen and Pocket Knives, about 150 different patterns, for sale at
TODD'S BOOKSTORE.
Blank Books.
MEDIUM and Demi Record, and Demi cap Record, Ledgers, Journals and Day Books, full and half bound, a large supply, for sale by
WM. M. TODD.
January 6, 1847.
Fashionable Hats.
A LARGE supply of the very best quality, and neatest finish, for sale by
WM. M. TODD.
Jan. 6, 1847.
Gentlemen's Boots and Shoes.
MILES & SON'S Philadelphia made, best quality, Gentlemen's Waterproof and Dress Boots and Shoes, a good supply still on hand at
(Jan. 6, 1847) WM. M. TODD'S.
WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE.
GEORGETOWN, KY.
T. F. JOHNSON, Superintendent.
WM. F. HOPKINS, Professor of Natural Science, &c.
WM. F. MARTIN, Professor of Mathematics, &c.
J. W. WYCHE, A. M., Professor of Languages.
R. H. FORRESTER, Esq., Professor of Law.
JAMES P. MASON, Graduate of the Virginia Military Institute—Preparatory Department.
THOMAS J. SMITH, Graduate of Bethany College—Preparatory Department.
The Institute will be opened on the FIRST MONDAY OF FEBRUARY, 1847.
Tuition—\$4 per Session, in advance, for the higher classes, and \$15 and \$10 per Session for the Preparatory department. Good Boarding can be had in Georgetown at \$2 per week. For particulars—See "The Union" and "National Intelligencer."
February 9, 1847—748-31.
*Educated at West Point.
Female Collegiate Institute,
GEORGETOWN, KY.
THE NINETEENTH SESSION of the Female Institute, commenced on the 11th day of JANUARY, under the management of the subscriber, aided by his former experienced Assistants, and will close on the 25th day of JUNE, 1847.
T. F. JOHNSON, A. M., PRINCIPAL.
Georgetown, Ky., Feb. 9, 1847—748-3m.
J. HARLAN & G. W. CRADDOCK.
WILL practice Law in co-partnership in the different Courts holding their sessions in Frankfort, and they will attend to business confided to them, in any of the adjoining counties. Office on St. Clair street. Frankfort, April 1, 1844—599-1f.
DOCTORS PRICE & KEENE.
WILL give their undivided attention to the practice of Medicine, in Frankfort and its vicinity. Residence and office adjoining the Presbyterian Church.
June 9, 1846—713-1f.
HOUSE AND LOTS FOR SALE.
DESIRING to take a residence more retired, I will sell, if early application be made, my house and lots in Frankfort, on Ann and Mero streets. The buildings are in excellent order and embrace superior conveniences for a town residence. The garden is perhaps one of the best stocked, for its size, in the Western country, abounding in every production, adapted to the climate, necessary to the comfort and luxury of a family. The collection of fruit and ornamental trees, grapes, shrubbery, flowers, &c. &c. is exceedingly choice in every department, among which are nearly 100 varieties of superb roses.
Besides the lot of 100 feet front on Ann, attached to the house, there are three elegant building lots, two of 30 and one of 40 feet front on Ann, 200 feet deep to an alley, the latter fronting 300 feet on Mero. I will sell in parcels, or the whole together. Terms, liberal, made known on application. THO. B. STEVENSON.
April 21, 1846—706-1f.
NOTICE.
ALL persons indebted to me by note or account, are requested to call upon W. T. Herndon, who is my attorney in fact, and alone authorized to collect and receive the same.
Oct. 28, 1846—851-1f. W. T. STALEY.
All interested in the foregoing notice are requested call at once and settle and pay up.—The same being binding. No indulgence can be given.
W. T. HERNDON.
LAW NOTICE.
FITCH MUNGER, Attorney at Law, Carlisle, Nicholas county, Kentucky.
WILL attend to all business entrusted to him in the county of Nicholas and surrounding counties.
Refer to S. T. WALL, N. H. FINNELL, J. Covington, Ky. JOHN B. McILVAINE, Maysville, Ky. JOHN W. FINNELL, Frankfort.
Carlisle, Sept. 8, 1846—726-1f.
WILLIAM SAMPSON.
ATTORNEY AT LAW, BERKSVILLE, KENTUCKY.
WILL practice in the Courts held in Cumberland and the adjoining counties.
March 17, 1846—701.
DR. BEN. HENSLEY, JR.
WILL practice medicine in Frankfort and the adjacent country. Office on the West side of St. Clair street, in the room formerly occupied by Dr. Wilson, and one door below Morehead & Reed's Law Office.
Through the various charitable institutions of a large city, to one of which, (Philadelphia Hospital, Blockley), he was appointed a "Resident Surgeon." Dr. H. amassed a fund of practical information that, otherwise, would have required years with an ordinary practice.
March 24, 1846—702-1f.
LYSANDER HORD,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
WILL practice Law in the Court of Appeals, Federal Court, General Court, and Franklin Circuit Court. Any business confided to him shall be faithfully and promptly attended to. His office is on St. Clair street, near the bridge, where he may generally be found.
Frankfort, April 1, 1845—599-1f.
JOHN C. HERNDON,
ATTORNEY AT LAW, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY.
WILL practice in all the Courts held in Frankfort—the Anderson, Owen, Woodford, and Shelby Circuit Courts—and will attend to the collection of debts in any part of the State. Office on St. Clair street, 34 door above the Court House.
April 1, 1844—599-1f.

FRANKFORT.

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1847.

THE WEEKLY COMMONWEALTH.

Is published every Tuesday morning, on the largest Mammoth sheet, at \$2 per annum, in advance, or \$2 50 at the expiration of six months, at which time all subscriptions are considered due.

Any person sending us the names of five subscribers, accompanied with \$10, shall have the sixth copy for one year free of charge. The COMMONWEALTH is the largest TWO DOLLAR paper in Kentucky.

A GUIDE to Justices, Sheriffs, Clerks Constables, &c., revised and amended, by J. C. HERNDON, just published and for sale at the Commonwealth Office—price \$3 50.

The card of A. S. MITCHELL, Esq., in reply to Mr. Hardin, can be had at the Counting Room of this office.

The Hon. BEN. HARDIN's speech, in defence of himself, before the Executive Committee of the Senate is now printed, and ready for delivery to those gentlemen who subscribed for them. The speech contains 80 large octavo pages, with all the quotations at length. The price to subscribers will be \$8 per 100 copies. Single copies for 10 cents.

Apply at the Counting Room of the Commonwealth office.

The speech of JOHN W. STEVENSON, Esq., on the Railroad bill, will be published in a few days. Gentlemen wishing copies of this speech, will please leave their names and the number of copies desired, at the counting room of this office.

March 1, 1847.

The Paris Citizen of the 26th, contains a call for a county meeting, to take into consideration the propriety and necessity, of a District Convention, to nominate a Whig candidate to represent this District in the next Congress, and if deemed advisable, to select delegates to represent Bourbon county in said Convention.

THE AMERICAN ANTHRAX AND LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S TEMPERANCE MAGAZINE, is the title of a very interesting monthly, published in Philadelphia, by PARKER, JONES & DAVIS, at the low price of one dollar per annum. It is beautifully printed and edited with taste and ability.

LATER FROM MEXICO!

The news of the death of Lieut. Ritchie is confirmed. He was on his way from Saltillo to Victoria, as the bearer of despatches, accompanied by ten dragoons, who were either killed or taken prisoners. The despatches borne by Lieut. R., contained the whole plan of operations in which the army is about to engage!

Lieut. Miller, an officer of the 2d Ohio regiment, is reported to have been murdered at Chicorini.

The following letter received by Gen. Worth, from Capt. Chapman, is most painful. We fear it is true:

SALTILO, Jan. 25, 1847.
I have only time to write a letter. Maj. Borland, of the Arkansas cavalry, with 50 men, and Major Gaines and Cassius M. Clay, with 30 men, were surprised and captured at Encarnacion, [about 45 miles beyond Saltillo], on the morning of the 23d, by Gen. Menon. He heard that Borland was there, and marched from Matehuala with 500 cavalry and took them without firing a gun. This is no story.

Yours, truly, W. W. CHAPMAN.

The above is all that has reached us on the subject; in fact, it is clear enough. Between 80 and 90 of our men have been taken prisoners, and are undoubtedly at San Lucas Potosi are taken. The hatred of the Mexicans is so inveterate, however, against our volunteers, that fears are entertained for the safety of the prisoners.

The troops are beginning to move down from camp Palo Alto. Gen. Scott would have embarked to-day, on the Massachusetts, for Tampico, if a heavy norther had not sprung up yesterday.

The destination of the troops is Lobo, about 75 miles from Vera Cruz. As Santa Anna knows all about it, I presume there is no impropriety in my telling you. It is an island, very near the main land, and behind it is a safe harbor for vessels of considerable size. The shore is rocky and the pass very crooked, but not extremely dangerous. In the course of the week we shall be on the Gulf, and if the norther and southerners do not send us to another world, you will soon receive a description of the battle and capture of Vera Cruz.

The forces were generally leaving Camargo for Tampico. It was thought the last of Wirth's division would leave on the 26th.

The news in regard to the volunteers on the On-dia, wrecked off Tampico, is less favorable than we believed from the accounts published in our paper of Saturday. The main body of them had not arrived at Tampico. On the contrary, at the last accounts they were engaged in a deadly conflict with a force nearly double their number. A Brigade under the command of Gen. Pillow, had been ordered to the relief of Col. De Russy and his command.

A young man named James D. Bowlin, formerly of Baltimore, was murdered in the streets of Tampico on the 7th inst. Lieut. Gibson, of the 2d artillery, died at Tampico, of fever, on the 6th inst.

The report of the assassination of Santa Anna is without foundation. His whole force is represented as 23,000 strong. Gen. La Vega is appointed Commandant General of Vera Cruz, with a force of about 3,000 men, the garrison not having over 1,100.

O. G. CATES & T. N. LINDSEY, ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

HAVE this day dissolved their partnership by mutual agreement. Each will continue the practice on his own account. All the Courts held in Frankfort and the adjoining counties. They will give their joint attention to their unfinished business. Frankfort, Feb. 25, 1847—751-17

Fashionable Tailoring.

WILLIAM BRIDGES.

GRATEFUL for the patronage that has hitherto been extended to him, informs his friends and customers, that he is still prepared to make, cut and fit all kinds of gentlemen's wear, in the newest and most fashionable styles. He employs none but the best workmen, and is confident of pleasing all who may patronize him. His terms, too, are very moderate. His establishment is in SWIGERT'S ROW, between the Stores of Parker & Jones & S. Withrow & Co. January 1, 1847

MARRIED.

On Thursday morning last, by Elder John A. Gano, Mr. CHARLES ALEXANDER, merchant of Paris, to Miss CATHERINE H. BOUTON, daughter of the Rev. J. F. Green, Mr. E. D. McVicker, of Bourbon county, to Miss FRANCES M. WAGON, of Nicholas county.

On the 11th inst., Mr. JOHN W. LETTOS, to Miss MARY SANDERSON, both of Bourbon county.

DIED.

In this county, on the 18th instant, aged 82 years, Mrs. MARY READING, relict of Mr. John Reading, who died in this county several years since, and who was one of the patriot heroes who fought for our liberties in the war of the Revolution. Mrs. Reading has been a pious and devoted member of the Presbyterian church, for half a century. She died in full possession of her mental faculties, and in the full assurance of a blessed immortality beyond this vale of tears. She has left to deplore, to them, an irreparable loss, a numerous and highly respectable family of children and relatives. May they learn to imitate her bright example, that their end may be like hers.

From the Observer and Reporter.

At the Bruen House, in this city, on Wednesday evening last, after a lingering illness, Mrs. MARY A. DUKK, wife of Capt. N. W. Duke, of the U. S. Navy.

The old proverb that "death seeks a shining mark" was never more truly exemplified than in the death of this intelligent, interesting and pious lady. Possessed of all those high and ennobling qualities which beauty and adorn her sex, she was an ornament to society, the pride of her numerous friends and the idol of her household. A victim to that fell destroyer of so many of our race—consumption—her long and wasting illness served but to render her Christian fortitude under affliction and her meek submission to His will whose child she was, the more striking and exemplary. Long did her relatives, acquaintances and friends hope to be blessed and comforted with her presence, her example, her intelligence and true Christian worth. But her untimely and melancholy fate has added another to the many evidences constantly crowding upon us of "what shadows we are, and what shadows we pursue." She has gone to the tomb while scarcely yet in the zenith of her womanhood, with the prayers of the virtuous and the good for the future health of her soul, leaving a sorrowfully afflicted husband, an interesting and promising boy of ten years of age, and a large circle of devoted, sorrowing relatives and friends to lament, to cherish her irreplaceable loss. Their consolation will be, to cherish her memory and to profit by her virtuous precepts.

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!!!

THE NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THIS CITY OF NEW YORK, have appointed the undersigned their Agent, who is authorized to insure Buildings, Furniture, Merchandise, &c., against loss or damage by Fire, on the most favorable terms.

Country; Steam or Keel Boats, or their cargoes, against the damages of River Navigation.

Office at the Counting Room of Ferguson & Macklin, Frankfort, Ky.

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Protection Insurance Company

of Hartford, Connecticut.

THE undersigned will issue policies on every description of Buildings and Goods, Wares and Merchandise, contained therein, against loss or damage by Fire, and on the cargoes of Steam Boats, against the perils of the river, and on the cargoes of vessels against perils of the sea and lakes, on the most favorable terms.

All claims for loss arising under policies issued by me, will be promptly adjusted by the General Agent, at Cincinnati, Ohio. Office at the Counting Room of Lindsey & Reese, St. Clair street, Frankfort, Ky.

June 9, 1846—713-17

FOR SALE.

A FARM CONTAINING 233 ACRES, lying on the Georgetown Turnpike Road, 24 miles from Frankfort, lately occupied by A. W. LOCKWOOD. If not sold by the 1st of March, it will be for Rent. For terms, apply to

Feb. 6, 1847—714-17

New Arrival of Law Books.

WM. M. TODD.

HAS just received the following valuable LAW BOOKS

which he will sell at the following Western prices.

Bacon's Abridgement by Bouvier, 10 volumes;

East's Reports, 16 vols. in 8, new edition;

Daniel's Chancery Practice, new American edition by J. C. Perkins, 3 volumes;

Hilliard on Real Property, 2d edition, revised and enlarged;

Phillips on Evidence by Cowen & Hill, enlarged, 4 volumes;

Wheeler's American Law, 3d edition, 4 volumes;

U. S. Digest by Metcalf & Perkins, 3 volumes;

Holcombe's Introduction to Equity Jurisprudence;

Archbold's Criminal Pleading;

Starkie on Evidence, 2 volumes;

Wheeler's American Chancery Digest;

Digest New York Reports, 4 volumes;

Howard's Reports of the United States, 4 volumes;

Chitty on Pleadings, 3 volumes;

Chitty on Contracts;

Chitty's Blackstone, 2 volumes;

Greenleaf on Evidence, 2 volumes, new edition;

Story's Equity Jurisprudence, 2 volumes, new edition;

Story's Equity Pleading;

Story on Agency;

Story on Bailments;

Story on Bills;

Story on Contracts;

Story on Promissory Notes;

Story on Partnership;

United States Statutes at Large, 5 volumes; by Peters;

Jarvis on Wills, 2 volumes, new work;

Clancy on Husband and Wife;

Stephen on Pleading;

Milford's Pleading;

Starkie on Pleading, 2 volumes;

Smith's Chancery Practice, 2 volumes;

Pothier on Obligations, 2 volumes;

Howard's Reports of the United States, 4 volumes;

Williams on Executors, 2 volumes;

Thomas' Coke, 3 volumes;

Vattel's Law of Nations;

Adams on Ejectment;

Valentine on Limitations;

Jones on Bailments; &c. &c.

And a few copies of the Statute Laws of Kentucky, in 3 vols., and a complete set of Kentucky Reports (except A. K. Marshall, 3 volumes, and 2d volume of Little), which he will sell on the best terms for cash.

Any Law Books not mentioned in the above list, will be furnished at short notice and at low prices. Jan. 1, 1847

Private Boarding House.

THE undersigned still continues to keep a BOARDING HOUSE in the large commodious new Brick House, adjoining the Court House. Having constructed four additional new rooms, gives him some 10 rooms as good as there are in the town, which enables him to take 12 or 15 Members of the day, week or year.

He pledges himself to keep as good a Table, &c., as the market will afford. The Rooms are all new and well furnished, in addition to their favorable location in the business part of the town.

Frankfort, January 2, 1847

Woodford Female Institute.

THE undersigned would gratefully acknowledge the liberal patronage hitherto given to his labors. A few additional pupils would still be admitted. The course of instruction is anti-

quity, and the English and French languages, as may be seen in the printed "Circular," which is always forwarded upon application.

Price for Board and Tuition, \$150 for the Scholastic year, com-

mencing January 4th, and ending with the 23d week in December.

Piano Music, \$12 per quarter—No extra charges whatever.

Vacation: in the middle of July to 1st Monday in September.

Pupils received at any time, and charged to the end of the year at 40 weeks to the year.—Address, W. F. BROADBENT, Versailles, Ky.

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471, MAIN STREET, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.

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STAPLE DRY GOODS, will command the attention of purchasers visiting the city—con-

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Worked Muslin Robes; Embroidered Canton Crape Shawls and

Scarfs; Organized Muslins; Printed Jackonets; French Worked

Peleries and Collars; Thread, Valenciennes and Regency Laces

and Edgings; Silk, Thread and Cotton Hosiery; Kid, Silk and

Thread Gloves; superior Irish Linens; Barrely Sheets; Table

Damask and Napkins; Bombazines; Lustris; Cloths; Cas-

simeres and Vestings; French, English and American Prints; Cot-

ton Shirtings and Sheetings, &c.

All orders entrusted to our House, shall receive our most care-

ful attention; and our One Price System, to which we strictly

adhere, is a guaranty to strangers that only one, and a fair

price, will be asked for any article.

Louisville, Feb. 11, 1847—714-17

DOCTOR

J. McFARLAND MILLS,

TENDERS his professional services to the public. Office at

the residence of Dr. S. Withrow & Co., in front of Capitol Square.

Frankfort, April 25, 1846—707-17

Frankfort Advertisements.

BATTLE OF MONTEREY.

MR. HILL, who was badly wounded at MONTEREY, has sent me some of his DRAWINGS of THAT BATTLE. They are beautifully lithographed, making three splendid Views. Those who may wish to patronize a wounded Soldier, can obtain them at the Office of the Commonwealth. Price for the three—30 cents.

Just received, the Roman Traitor, Pirate Queen, Comic Wandering Jew, The Tower of London, Rorey O'More, with many other new and popular works. H. B. FARRAR.

Feb. 18, 1847.

REGULAR PACKET.

The Steamer BLUE WING, Captain H. I. Toop, leaves Frankfort for Louisville every

Thursday and Saturday mornings.

Leaves Louisville for Frankfort and Woodford Landing every Wednesday at 12 o'clock.

On the 11th inst., Frankfort and Monday's Landing every Saturday at 12 o'clock. January 1, 1846

MRS. LYDA COLLINS,

INDIAN DOCTRINE.

MRS. LYDA COLLINS, (late of Cincinnati), has per-

manently located herself in this town. Her residence is in

Washington street, between Clinton and Meru, and she re-

spectfully tenders her services to the citizens and the public

generally, and the advantages which the afflicted female part

of the community can receive, are such as will have a lasting

impression on their future health. She learned the Indian

mode of practice. Her medicines are Roots, Herbs, Flowers,

and Seeds; and will cure any of the following named diseases,

and through her skill and valuable Vegetable Medicines, cures

all kinds of Fevers, Dropsy, Rheumatism, Fits, and Nervous

diseases, all kinds of Sores and Cancers, Piles, Snake Bites and

venomous Stings. All secret diseases cured, without detection

from business, together with all other diseases of men, women

and children. Prescriptions and medicines sent to any part of

the country, provided a remittance accompany the description

of the disease. Many certificates of cures to be in possession

of the best certificate is the medicine itself.

Frankfort, Feb. 10, 1847.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

This may certify, that I was laboring under the Liver

complaint, Dyspepsia, enlargement of the Spleen, and the Dropsy

of the Chest combined, for about nine months; and after I had

been attended on, and given over to die, by three of the best Physi-

cians in Tusculooa, viz: Drs. Street, Ireland and Searcy, at this

distressing time, I called on the Indian Doctrines, Mrs. Lyda

Collins, and through her skill and valuable Vegetable Medicines,

I now enjoy good health; therefore I recommend her medi-

cines to the sick and afflicted. I lived in Tusculooa,

Ala., when the above cure was performed, but now I live in Mo-

bile. Attest—W. K. P. WYNN, M. D.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 26, 1846.

After being afflicted for more than a year with the affection of

the Liver, Spine and Lungs, in November last I was attacked

with the chills and fever, which nearly used me up. I put my-

self under the care of Mrs. Collins, and she has regene- rated my

system. I believe there is nothing but warm and settled weather

wanting to confirm my health and make me as well as I ever

was, and give me great relief, and I do sincerely believe her to

be the best of the community, for I believe her to be in posses-

sion of the healing art.

ABEL SIMONY.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 2, 1846.

Am now going about the birth of my first child, I was

confined to my bed, and unable to walk. Mrs. Collins came to

me, and gave me great relief, and in two months my health

was much improved, and is now entirely restored.

MRS. J. N. BARNETT.

Daughter of James Walker, of Columbia, Tenn.

This is to certify that I have been afflicted for five years,

with the Rheumatism and Dyspepsia, and every thing I eat or

drank, I had to throw up. My misery and pain laid more

my breast than any where else, and affected my right side more

than the other. I have not been able to lay down in my bed for

more than twenty months, and since I have been taking Mrs.

Collins' medicine, I have been able to rest, and am now

for the last four months, and I am glad to say that I am now

able to dress myself, and can walk about the streets, which I

could not do for five years before. I do sincerely believe her to

be a good hand to practice the herbs and roots, which she uses.

Given under my hand, this 29th day of October, 1844.

FRANCIS SWIFT.

APRIL, 8th, 1846.

This is to certify, that I have been laboring under the Liver

disease, Dyspepsia, all the Spleen, all the Chest, and the

almost used me up. I put myself under the care of Mrs. Collins,

the Indian Doctrines, and she has regene- rated my system, and I

am now going about the birth of my first child, I was

confined to my bed, and unable to walk. Mrs. Collins came to

me, and gave me great relief, and in two months my health

was much improved, and is now entirely restored.

EDWARD WHITE.

THOMAS PARKER.

NEW ORLEANS, April 10, 1846.

This is to certify, that I have been suffering more

